

To-day's Advertisements.



NOTICE TO BUILDERS.

TENDERS are Required for the ERECTION of a SANITARIUM at the WANGKAI VALLEY, Hongkong.
Persons desiring to be TENDERS for the ERECTION of these WORKS must leave their NAMES at the ROYAL ENGINEER OFFICE, or before the 27th Instant, at 2 p.m.
Bills of Quantities and Specifications will be supplied to each Person on application to the Government Surveyor on payment of \$3.
The Secretary of State does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any Tender.
The Bills of Quantities and Specifications will be put in to English only.
BROKER PENNNELL, A.C.G.,
Dist. Commy. General.
Commissionaires Office,
Hongkong, November 16, 1880. no

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for

Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Longkong Harbour:—

STILLMAN B. ALLEN, American bark.
Capt. W. S. Eldridge.—Tong Song Wood.

SPIRIT OF THE AGE, Brit. barque, Capt. E. Williams.—Vogel & Co.

IMPORTER, American ship, Captain B. Shurburne.—Master.

COMMODE DUPONT, Amer. barq., Capt. F. P. Crockett.—Eduard Schollhaus & Co.

HELMINE, German barque, Captain Meyer.—Captain.

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at J. M. Richardson.—Stemsen & Co.
PENOBSCOT, American barque, Captain
Chilman.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
CATHARINE, German brig, Captain
Bulling.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
AMETHYST, American barque, Captain
Blocum.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
GADET, American brigantine, Captain

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Nov. 14, *El Dorado*, British steamer,
900, Young, Shanghai Nov. 10, General
JARDINE, MATHEWSON & Co.

Nov. 14, 2 a.m., *Hainan*, American
287, J. W. Conner, Haiphong Nov.
Rice, 400—A. S. O.

Nov. 14, *Conquest*, British steamer,
Thorne, Hamilton, Haiphong Nov. 9,
Hollow 12, Rice.—SAUN HARG.

Nov. 14, *Pencost*, American bar
1138, Chipman, Newcastle (N.S.W.)
C.—ARNHOLD, KARRER & Co.

	Bullion, Newcastle (N.S.W.) Sept. 19, —ARNOLD, KARRIDGE & Co.
Co	Nov. 14, <i>Janua</i> , German barque, Dannekeu, Neuwach wang Nov. 6, Beat General.—WIELE & Co.
load	Nov. 14, <i>Amethyst</i> , American brig 356, Slocum, New York Nov. 7, O JAMES MATHISON & Co.
Co.	Nov. 14, 5.15 a. m., <i>Sunda</i> , British 1029, Reeves, Yokohama Nov. 6, Mail General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.
	Nov. 14, <i>Zambesi</i> , British steamer, A. Symona, Shanghai Nov. 12, Mail General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.
A L	Nov. 16.— <i>Charlton</i> , British steamship Erskine, Hapgood Nov. 11, Rice General.—A. CUNNINGHAM & Co.

Nov. 12, *Chambers*, British steamer
Rowen, Chinkiang Nov. 7, Rice—
SEN & Co.
Nov. 14, *Yangtze*, British steamer
Canton.
Nov. 15, *Cadet*, American brigantine
J. W. Brown, Newchwang Nov. 7,
—ORDE—
Nov. 15, *May*, British brigantine
—ANG. W. L. R.

Nov. 16, *Fobius*, Siamese barque
Th. Brown, Newchwang Nov. 4, and
8, *Beane*, *Taxo* M. H. P.
Nov. 15, *Esperance*, French barque
Le Normant, Newchwang Nov. 6, B.
CARLOWITZ & Co.
Nov. 15, *Anna Bertha*, German
468, H. Krause, Newchwang Nov. 7,

HER.	Nov. 15, <i>Cabarricidh</i> , British barque.
HER.	McKENNIE, Newchwang Nov. 7, B.
	MELCHERS & Co.
	Nov. 15, <i>Cervale</i> , German barque.
	Nielsen, Swatow Nov. 14, Ballast.
	SEN & Co.
YATA,	Nov. 15, <i>Emeralda</i> , British steam.
Plain.	Talbot, Haiphong Nov. 11, Pakhoi.
	Holhow 14, General.—RUSSELL & Co.

Nov. 15, *Chia-tung*, Chinese
835, Winner, Shanghai Nov. 12, G
— C. M. S. N. Co.

DEPARTURES

Nov. 14, *Orestes*, for Singapore, &c.
14, *Ping-on*, for Hallow, &c.

14, *Olay*, for Singapore, &c.
14, *Crusader*, for Canton.
14, *El Dorado*, for Canton.
18, *Ancona*, for Shanghai.
15, *U. S. S. Alert*, for Hoihow
15, *Yangtze*, for Shanghai.
15, *Diamond*, for Manila.
16, *Chin-tung*, for Canton.

Station, the Pro- pany at	Bombay, for Swatow, &c. <i>Spirit of the Age</i> , for Shanghai. Ellen, for Singapore. Nanma, for Coast Ports. Hermine, for Yokohama. Hainan, for Hoihow, &c.
Depo-	
ago.	

PASSENGERS.
ARRIVED.

Far South, from Poughkeepsie, New York, to
ter van Bore, Denny, Wernford, I

I have received a copy of the programme for the Fokien Races, winter meeting, which will be held at H. London, Thursday.

On Friday, the 12th, 13th and 14th of January next. On the first day there are seven events.—The Hack-race Cup, (\$100, 1 mile; The Maiden Stakes, \$15 each horse, \$100 added, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile; Comrades' Cup, \$300, 2 miles; Hack Stakes, \$100 each horse, 2 miles; Hay Poong Cup, \$100, 1 mile; Hongkong Cup, \$200, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile. On the second day also there are seven races.—Hamp Stakes, \$10 each with \$50 added; Pot-ma Cup, value not set forth, 2 miles; Lottery Cup, \$150, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile; Subscription Challenge Cup, 200 guineas, added to a stake of \$15, 1 mile; Club Cup, \$100, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile; Footschoo Stakes of \$10 each, 2 miles; and a race of 200 guineas, value not set forth, 2 miles.

On the third day there are six events as follows.—Leger Cup, \$100, once round, and a distance; Chase Cup, \$200, 1½ mile; Ladies' Purse, once round; Consolation Cup, \$150, 1 mile; Champion Stakes, entrance \$10, with \$100 added, 1½ mile; Grand National Stakes, \$10 each with \$100 added; Steeple chase, three times round course selected by the Stewards.

Longs St. John, No. 618, S.O.; elected
 office-bearers for the year at its last
 meeting. The following is the full list for
 1880-81:—
 Right Wpl. Master, J. Keating.
 Rt. Wpl. 1. Past. Mast. T. N. Driscoll.
 Wpl. Senior Warden, J. Christy.
 Wpl. Junior Warden, T. M. Leatherbar-
 row.
 Senior Deacon, L. Wells.
 Junior Deacon, J. Grimbloe.
 Treasurer, Jesse Cook.
 Secretary, R. F. Starnes.
 Steward, Andrew Walters.
 Master of Ceremonies, F. G. von Stockhau-
 sen.
 Organist, W. L. Casey.
 Inner Guard, J. Schmitt.
 Tyler, W. H. Kingston.
 At the same time Worshipful Brother
 Robert White, of Lodge St. James, Edin-
 burgh, No. 97, was elected Proxy to the
 Grand Lodge of Scotland. Lodge St. John,

prosperous condition, mainly owing to the good management and energy of Worshipful Brother T. N. Driscoll who now retires from the chair. Under Brother Keating a future no less successful may be anticipated for it. The Worshipful Master Elect has probably served as much as any

THE prospectus is issued, we are glad to see, of a Steam Laundry Company, a scheme which has been often advocated in the *China Mail*, both by correspondents and in the "Mandarin" columns. The great ad-

the dirty linen of the Colony as compared with the destructive and otherwise objectionable fashion of the Chinese washerman is painfully apparent to every resident in the East. With the shipping there is quite a sufficient ground for suggestions to lead to more than moderate

allowance on capital judiciously invested in providing the requisite machinery and staff for such a Laundry. In the approximate estimate, the cost of the machinery and the cost of fitting up the same are put down at \$4,250. The purchase of a piece of ground and the erection of a water tank to hold 85,000 gallons of water

will it be estimated, with piping, heating, and
cost, \$1,850; the fitting up of the laundries
\$500. Allowing \$700 for contingencies there
is a total made up of \$7,300, and estimated
the annual profit at \$5,588, of this sum
\$2,568 could be carried to capital account
and \$3,000 divided amongst the proprietors
the value therefore being about 30 per cent

in the prospectus showing the estimated running expenses of an establishment capable of finishing 78,000 pieces of clothing per month of 26 days, to be \$1.00 or \$1.40 per 100 pieces. Estimate "C" shows the estimated profits to be earned on that number of pieces at the rate of \$2 per

Laundry by the subscription of 100 shares, the value of each share to be \$100 with a paid up capital of \$75 per share, \$50 to be paid when taking the share and \$25 to be paid when called for within the first three months. There would thus be a capital

which is signed by Mr Geo. Stainfield, Agent, states that the whole of the work-
ing gear required for starting the Laundry
is at the present time in the Colony, and
now only waits for the shares to be taken
up, so that the works can be commenced
without further delay. We believe that

and the venture has our best wishes, and we have the encouragement of all who have been long resident in the East, and who know to the disadvantage (not to call them by stronger names) of the present system.

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A PRIVATE telegram has been received

and by him forwarded to the American Consul here stating that "General Gardiner has been elected to the Presidency of the United States by a majority of 28 votes."

Intimations.

THE CHINA REVIEW.

THE widely-expressed regret at the discontinuance of *Notes & Queries on China and Japan*, has induced the publisher of this journal to issue a publication similar in object and style, but slightly modified in certain particulars.

THE CHINA REVIEW, or *Notes and Queries on the Far East*, is issued at intervals of two months, each number containing about 60 octavo pages, occasionally illustrated with lithographs, photographs, woodcuts, &c., should the papers published demand, and the circulation justify, such extra matter.

The subscription is fixed at \$6.50 postage paid, per annum, payable by non-residents in Hongkong half-yearly in advance. The publication includes papers original and selected upon the Arts and Sciences, Ethnology, Folklore, Geography, History, Literature, Mythology, Manners and Customs, Natural History, Religion, &c., &c., of China, Japan, Mongolia, Tibet, the Eastern Archipelago, and the "Far East" generally. A more detailed list of subjects upon which contributions are especially invited is incorporated with each number.

Original contributions in Chinese, Latin, French, German, Spanish, Italian, or Portuguese, are admissible. Endeavours are made to present a résumé in each number of the contents of the most recent works bearing on Chinese matters. Great attention is also paid to the Review department.

Notes and Replies are classified together as "Notes" (head references being given, when furnished, to previous Notes or Queries), or as also those queries which or unpublished details concerning the matter in hand. It is desirable to make the Queries proper as brief and as much to the point as possible.

The *China Review* for July and August, 1876, is at hand. It says that forty-two essays were sent in to compete for the best paper on the advantages of Christianity for the development of a State. All our learned societies should subscribe to this scholarly and entertaining Review. It is a sixty-page, bi-monthly, repository of what really is ascertaining about China. The lecture on Chinese Poetry in this volume is alone worth the price of the Review. Address *China Review*, Hongkong.—Northern Christian Advocate (S.S.).

"*Reviews of the China Review*" contains the following notice of the *China Review*:—"This is the title of a publication, the first number of which has lately reached us from Hongkong, where it has been sent on foot as in some respects a continuation of *Notes and Queries on China and Japan*, the extinction of which would be a great loss to the Chinese community. The great degree of attention that has been bestowed of late years upon the investigation of Chinese literature, antiquities, and social developments, to say nothing of linguistic studies, has led to the accumulation of important stores of information, rendering some such channel of publicity as is now provided extremely desirable; and contributions of much interest may fairly be expected from the members of the foreign consular services, the Chinese Customs' corps, and the missionary body, among whom a high degree of Chinese scholarship is now assiduously cultivated, and who are severally represented in the first number of the Review by papers highly creditable to their respective authors. In a paper on Dr. Legge's *She King*, by the Rev. E. J. Eitel, to which the place of honour is deservedly given, an excellent summary is presented of the chronological problems and arguments involved in connection with this important work. Some translations from Chinese novels and plays are marked by both accuracy and freshness of style; and an account of the career of the Chinese poet-essayist, Mr. E. O. Bowring, in *Sin Kung-po*, by Mr. E. O. Bowring, is not only historically valuable, but is also distinguished by its literary grace. Beside notices of new books relating to China and the East, which will be a useful feature of the Review, it carries out with punctuality and despatch all the notices to which it is entitled to appear every two months, and will form a substantial octavo magazine."

THE CHINA MAIL.

This paper is now issued every day. The subscription is fixed at *Four Dollars* per annum delivered in Hongkong, or *Seven Dollars Fifty Cents* including postage to Coast ports.

It is the first Chinese Newspaper ever issued under purely native direction. The chief support of the paper is of course derived from the native community, amongst whom it is to be found in the greatest number, and it is therefore necessary to place it on a business and legal footing.

The projector, basing his estimates upon the most reliable information from the various Ports in China and Japan, from Australia, California, Singapore, Penang, Saigon, and other places frequented by the Chinese, considers themselves justified in guaranteeing an ultimate circulation of between 3,000 and 4,000 copies. The advantages offered to advertisers are therefore unusually great, and the foreign community generally will find it to their interest to avail themselves of them.

The field open to a paper of this description—conducted by native efforts, but progressive and anti-obstructive in tone—in almost limitless. It is on the one hand commands Chinese belief and interest while on the other deserves every aid that can be given to it by foreigners.

Like English journals it contains Editorials with local, shipping, and Commercial News and Advertisements. Subscription orders for either of the above may be sent to

GEO. MURRAY BAIN,

China Mail Office.

FREDERIC ALGAR,

COLONIAL NEWSPAPER & COMMISSION AGENT,

11, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, LONDON.

THE Colonial Press supplied with Newspapers, Books, Types, Presses, Folders, Correspondence, Letters, and any European Goods on London terms.

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.

Colonial Newspapers received at the office are regularly filed for the inspection of Advertisers and the Public.

Visitors' Column.

We have instituted an experiment a VISITORS' COLUMN, which we trust will prove successful, and be found useful. To it will be relegated from time to time such items of information, lists, tables, and other intelligence as is considered likely to prove valuable to persons passing through the City, and in connection with we have opened a SELECT HOTEL AND BUSINESS DIRECTORY, applications for enrolment into which we are now ready to receive.

List of Public Buildings.

Government House, North of Public Gardens.
City Hall, Library (8,000 volumes) and Museum.—Free.

Public Gardens, a beautifully picturesque retreat and of great interest.
The Clock Tower, Queen's Road Central, in a line with Pedder's Wharf.

General Post Office, Hongkong Club, German Club, Supreme Court, &c., within a stone's throw.

Lustino Club and Library, Shelley St.

Government Offices, the Secretariat, &c., near the Public Gardens.

St. John's Cathedral (Anglican), above the Parade Ground.

Roman Catholic Cathedral, Wellington Street.

Union Church, Elgin Street.

St. Peter's Seamen's Church, West Point.

St. Joseph's (R.C.) Church, Garden Road, near Kennedy Road.

Temperance Hall, specially adapted for sea-faring men, Queen's Road East.

Sailors' Home, West Point.

E. E. A. and China Telegraph Co., and the Great Northern Telegraph Co., Marine House, Queen's Road.

Masonic Hall, Zealand Street.

Victoria Recreation Club—Bath-house and Boat-house, &c.—Praya, beyond the Cricket Ground, beside the City Hall.

The Barracks and Naval and Military Store Departments lie to the eastward, and cover a large area.

Stores, Books, &c.

General Outfitter, Hosiery, Tailor, &c.—F. N. DISCOULL, 43 and 47, Queen's Road, by special appointment to H.E. the Governor.

Chronometers, Watches, Jewellery, Maps and Charts.—G. FALCONER & Co., Queen's Road Central.

American and English Stores, Books, and specially selected Cigars.—MACBRYEN, FRICKEL & Co.

Guns, Rifles, Pistols, Ammunition, and Sportsman's Requisites of all descriptions.—W. SCHMIDT & Co., Gun-makers, Eastern House of Beesfield Arcade.

Chair and Boat Hire.

LEGALISED TARIFF OF FARES FOR CHAIRS, CHAIR BEARERS, AND BOATS, IN THE COLONY OF HONGKONG.

Chairs and Ordinary Pullaway Boats.
Half hour, ... 10 cts. 1 hour, ... 20 cts.
Three hours, ... 50 cts. Six hours, ... 70 cts.
Day (from 6 to 6), One Dollar.

To VICTORIA PEAK.

Single Trip.
Four Coolies, ... \$1.00
Three Coolies, ... 0.85
Two Coolies, ... 0.70

Return (direct or by Pok-foo-lum).
Four Coolies, ... \$1.50
Three Coolies, ... 1.20
Two Coolies, ... 1.00

To VICTORIA GAP (TO LEVEL OF UMBRELLA SEAT).
Single Trip.
Four Coolies, ... \$0.60
Three Coolies, ... 0.50
Two Coolies, ... 0.40

Return (direct or by Pok-foo-lum).
Four Coolies, ... \$1.00
Three Coolies, ... 0.85
Two Coolies, ... 0.70

The Return Fare embraces a trip of not more than three hours.

For every hour or part of an hour above three hours, each Coolie will be entitled to an additional payment of 5 cts.

Day Trip (Peak), ... \$0.75 each Coolie.
(12 hours) (Gap), ... \$0.60 each Coolie.

Licensed Bearers (each).

Hour, ... 10 cts.
Half day, ... 25 cts.
Day, ... 50 cts.

BOAT AND COOLIE HIRE.

BOATS.
1st Class Cargo Boat of 8 or 900 ... \$2.00
2nd Class Cargo Boat of 8 or 900 ... 2.50
3rd Class Cargo Boat of 800 ... 1.50
4th Class Cargo Boat of 800 ... 1.00
5th Class Cargo Boat of 800 ... 0.50

or Pullaway Boats, per Day, ... \$1.00
Half-day, ... 0.50
After 5 p.m., ... 10 cts. extra.

Nothing in this Scale prevents private agreements.

FERRY COOLIES.

Scales of Hire for Street Coolies.
One Day, ... 30 cts.
Half Day, ... 20 cts.
Three Hours, ... 15 cts.
One Hour, ... 5 cts.
Half Hour, ... 5 cts.

Nothing in the above Scale to affect private agreements.

Hongkong Rates of Postage.

(Revised June 23, 1880.)

In the following Statements and Tables the Rates are given in cents, and are, for Letters, per half ounce, for Books and Patterns, per two ounces.

Newspapers over four ounces in weight are charged as double, treble, &c., as the case may be, but such papers or packets, whole or in part, as are not folded together as one, nor must anything whatever be inserted except bona fide Supplements. Printed matter may, however, be enclosed, if the whole be paid at Book Rate. Prices Current may be paid either as Newspapers or Books.

Commercial Papers signify such papers as, though written by Hand, do not bear the character of an actual or personal correspondence, such as invoices, deeds, copied contracts, &c. The charge on them is the same as for books, but, whatever the weight of a packet containing any partially written paper, it will not be charged less than 5 cents.

The sender of any Registered Article may accompany it with a Return Receipt on paying an extra fee of 5 cents.

The limit of weight for Books and Commercial Papers to Foreign Post Offices is 4 lbs. Patterns for such offices are limited to 8 ounces, but may exceed these dimensions: 8 inches by 4 inches by 2 inches.

N.R. means No Registration.

Countries of the Postal Union.

The Union may be taken to comprise Europe, most foreign possessions in Asia, Japan, W. Africa, Egypt, Mauritius, all America, Mexico, Salvador, Chili, Brazil, Peru, Venezuela, The Argentine Republic, Jamaica, Trinidad, Guiana, Honduras, Bermuda, Labuan, with all Danish, French, Netherlands, Portuguese and Spanish Possessions.

Countries not in the Union.—The chief countries not in the Union are the Australasian Group.

Postage to Union Countries.

General Rates, by any route:
Letters, 10 cents per oz.
Post Cards, 8 cents each.
Registration, 10 cents.
Newspapers, 2 cents each.
Books, Patterns and Comm. Papers, 2 cents per oz.

There is no charge on redirected correspondence within the Postal Union.

Postage to Non-Union Countries.

Hawaiian Kingdom—
Letters, 10
Registration, None.
Newspapers, 5
Books & Patterns, 5

West Indies (Non Union), Bolivia, Costa Rica, Guatemala, New Granada, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, &c.
Letters, 30
Registration, None.
Newspapers, 5
Books & Patterns, 10

Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, and Fiji, via Torres Straits, Letters, 12; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and Patterns, 4; Via Galle, Letters, 25; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and Patterns, 4.

Natal, the Cape, St. Helena, and Ascension, via Aden, Letters, 25; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and Patterns, 5.

A small extra charge is made on delivery. There is Registration to British W. India Islands, 10 cents. To the Bahamas and Hayti, The San Francisco route is available.

Registration via San Francisco, 10 cents. Cannot be sent via San Francisco.

LOCAL POSTAGE.

Between Hongkong, Canton, and Macao, in either direction, any letter (two) ... 10 cts.
Between any other two (two) ... 10 cts.
(through a British Hongkong, Japan, China, India, or other office) ... 10 cts.
Between any two (two) ... 10 cts.

Letters (over 4 oz. or fraction) ... 10 cts.
Post Cards ... 8 cts.
Newspapers ... 2 cts.
Books, Patterns, and Comm. Papers ... 2 cts.

(d) No Parcel Post.

Local Delivery.
1. All correspondence posted before 5 p.m. on a week day for addresses in Hongkong, will be delivered the same day, and generally within two hours, unless the delivery should be retarded by the Contract Mails.

2. Invitations, &c., can generally be delivered within 10 minutes of the private houses of the addressees, rather than at places of business, if a wish to that effect be expressed by the sender, otherwise all correspondence is invariably delivered at the nearest place of business.

3. Boxholders who desire to send Circulars, Dividend Warrants, Invitations, Cards, &c., all of the same weight, to addresses in Hongkong, Bangkok, or the Ports of China and Japan, may deliver them to the Post Office unsealed, the postage being charged to the sender, and each batch must consist of at least ten.

4. Boxholders may also send Patterns to the same places in the same way. Envelopes containing Patterns may be wholly enclosed or stated to the Postmaster General, as he may consider necessary, and approved by him. Printed Circulars may be inserted in such Pattern Packages.

5. Patterns.—The public is reminded that there is no such thing as Parcel Post to Europe, &c. Much trouble and disappointment are caused by persistent attempts to send small valuable trifles through the Post. Fans, Curious Articles of Dress, Fancy Work, and other presents are constantly being refused, the senders having often spent more in Postage than would have paid the freight by steamer. No refund can be made on such parcels of the value of Stamps obliterated before the nature of the contents was discovered.

Local Parcel Post.

1. Small Parcels may be sent by Post between any of the Post Offices in China or Japan, as well as to Macao, Pak-hoi, Singapore, Penang, and Malacca. They must not exceed the following dimensions: 2 feet long, 1 foot broad, 1 foot deep, nor weigh more than 6 lbs. The postage will be 20 cents per lb., which may be wholly or partly paid by the sender, or by the consignee, if they bear this special endorsement, PARCEL, CONTAINING NO LETTER, but any parcel may be opened by direction of the Postmaster General.

2. The following cannot be transmitted: Parcels insufficiently packed or protected, or liable to be crushed (as handboxes, &c.) Glass, Liquids, Explosive substances, Matches, Indigo, Dyesuffs, Ice, Meat, Fish, Game, Fruit, Vegetables, or whatever is dangerous to the Mails, or likely to be offensive or injurious in transit.

3. Parcels will as a general rule be forwarded by Private Ship, not by Contract Mail. The Post Office reserves the right of selecting the opportunity for transmission, and of delaying delivery in case the number of parcels is such as to retard other correspondence. No responsibility is accepted with regard to parcels, which the system of Registration will secure the senders against any but a very remote probability of loss.

4. The public are cautioned not to confound these facilities with a Parcel Post to Europe, &c., which does not exist.

Most countries to which Hongkong forwards Correspondence having joined the General Postal Union or being probable about to do so, it is necessary that the following rules be strictly observed.

1. No Letter or Packet, whether to be registered or unregistered, can be received for Postage if it contains gold or silver money, jewels, precious stones, or anything that is a general rule, is liable to Customs duties.

2. This Regulation prohibits the sending of Patterns of dutiable articles, unless the quantity sent be so small as to make the sample of no value.

3. The limits of weight allowed are as follows:—
Books and Papers to British Office, 4 lbs.; to the Continent, &c., 4 lbs.
Patterns to British Office, 5 lbs.; if without intrinsic value, to the Continent, &c., 8 oz.

Indemnity for the Loss of a Registered Letter.

The Post Office is not legally responsible for the safe delivery of Registered correspondence, but henceforth it will be prepared to make good the contents of such correspondence lost while passing through the Post, to the extent of \$10, in certain cases, provided—

1. That the sender duly observed all the conditions of Registration required.

2. That the letter was securely enclosed in a reasonably strong envelope.

3. That application was made to the Postmaster General of Hongkong immediately the loss was discovered, the envelope being invariably forwarded with such application unless it also is lost.

4. That the Postmaster General is satisfied that the loss occurred while the correspondence was in the custody of the British Postal administration in China, that it was not caused by any fault on the part of the sender, by destruction by fire, or shipwreck, nor by the dishonesty or negligence of any person not in the employment of the Hongkong Post Office.

5. No compensation can be paid for mere damage to fragile articles such as portraits, watches, handbags, hand boxes, &c., which reach their destination, although in a broken or deteriorated condition.

6. No order may be supplied to residents at the smaller Ports in this way. An application for an order is filled up, and is enclosed with a stamped, directed, and unsealed envelope to the Postmaster at the nearest issuing office. The application must be accompanied with the full amount (including commission) in cheque, postage stamps, or other equivalent of cash, and a little margin should be left for variations of exchange. The Postmaster issues the order, sends it on in the envelope, and returns the change, if any, by first opportunity, with a receipt for the letter, if it were so returned, as it always should be. Care should be taken to send these applications in time, as the Money Order Offices close some hours before the departure of the mails.

7. No order must exceed \$10, or \$50, or include any fraction of a penny, and more than two such orders be issued to the same person, in favour of the same payee, by the same mail. Orders will be drawn at the current rate of the day and paid at the rate of the day when the advice arrives.

The commission is as follows:—
Orders on the United Kingdom.
Up to \$20, ... 18 cts.
" 20 to 50, ... 30 cts.
" 50 to 100, ... 42 cts.
" 100 to 250, ... 54 cts.
" 250 to 500, ... 66 cts.
" 500 to 1,000, ... 78 cts.
" 1,000 to 2,500, ... 90 cts.
" 2,500 to 5,000, ... 102 cts.
" 5,000 to 10,000, ... 114 cts.
" 10,000 to 25,000, ... 126 cts.
" 25,000 to 50,000, ... 138 cts.
" 50,000 to 100,000, ... 150 cts.
" 100,000 to 250,000, ... 162 cts.
" 250,000 to 500,000, ... 174 cts.
" 500,000 to 1,000,000, ... 186 cts.
" 1,000,000 to 2,500,000, ... 198 cts.
" 2,500,000 to 5,000,000, ... 210 cts.
" 5,000,000 to 10,000,000, ... 222 cts.
" 10,000,000 to 25,000,000, ... 234 cts.
" 25,000,000 to 50,000,000, ... 246 cts.
" 50,000,000 to 100,000,000, ... 258 cts.
" 100,000,000 to 250,000,000, ... 270 cts.
" 250,000,000 to 500,000,000, ... 282 cts.
" 500,000,000 to 1,000,000,000, ... 294 cts.
" 1,000,000,000 to 2,500,000,000, ... 306 cts.
" 2,500,000,000 to 5,000,000,000, ... 318 cts.
" 5,000,000,000 to 10,000,000,000, ... 330 cts.
" 10,000,000,000 to 25,000,000,000, ... 342 cts.
" 25,000,000,000 to 50,000,000,000, ... 354 cts.
" 50,000,000,000 to 100,000,000,000, ... 366 cts.
" 100,000,000,000 to 250,000,000,000, ... 378 cts.
" 250,000,000,000 to 500,000,000,000, ... 390 cts.
" 500,000,000,000 to 1,000,000,000,000, ... 402 cts.
" 1,000,000,000,000 to 2,500,000,000,000, ... 414 cts.
" 2,500,000,000,000 to 5,000,000,000,000, ... 426 cts.
" 5,000,000,000,000 to 10,000,000,000,000, ... 438 cts.
" 10,000,000,000,000 to 25,000,000,000,000, ... 450 cts.
" 25,000,000,000,000 to 50,000,000,000,000, ... 462 cts.
" 50,000,000,000,000 to 100,000,000,000,000, ... 474 cts.
" 100,000,000,000,000 to 250,000,000,000,000, ... 486 cts.
" 250,000,000,000,000 to 500,000,000,000,000, ... 498 cts.
" 500,000,000,000,000 to 1,000,000,000,000,000, ... 510 cts.
" 1,000,000,000,000,000 to 2,500,000,000,000,000, ... 522 cts.
" 2,500,000,000,000,000 to 5,000,000,000,000,000, ... 534 cts.
" 5,000,000,000,000,000 to 10,000,000,000,000,000, ... 546 cts.
" 10,000,000,000,000,000 to 25,000,000,000,000,000, ... 558 cts.
" 25,000,000,000,000,000 to 50,000,000,000,000,000, ... 570 cts.
" 50,000,000,000,000,000 to 100,000,000,000,000,000, ... 582 cts.
" 100,000,000,000,000,000 to 250,000,000,000,000,000, ... 594 cts.
" 250,000,000,000,000,000 to 500,000,000,000,000,000, ... 606 cts.
" 500,000,000,000,000,000 to 1,000,000,000,000,000,000, ... 618 cts.
" 1,000,000,000,000,000,000 to 2,500,000,000,000,000,000, ... 630 cts.
" 2,500,000,000,000,000,000 to 5,000,000,000,000,000,000, ... 642 cts.
" 5,000,000,000,000,000,000 to 10,000,000,000,000,000,000, ... 654 cts.
" 10,000,000,000,000,000,000 to 25,000,000,000,000,000,000, ... 666 cts.
" 25,000,000,000,000,000,000 to 50,000,000,000,000,000,000, ... 678 cts.
" 50,000,000,000,000,000,000 to 100,000,000,000,000,000,000, ... 690 cts.
" 100,000,000,000,000,000,000 to 250,000,000,000,000,000,000, ... 702 cts.
" 250,000,000,000,000,000,000 to 500,000,000,000,000,000,000, ... 714 cts.
" 500,000,000,000,000,000,000 to 1,000,000,000,000,000,000,000, ... 726 cts.
" 1,000,000,000,000,000,000,000 to 2,500,000,000,000,000,000,000, ... 738 cts.
" 2,500,000,000,000,000,000,000 to 5,000,000,000,000,000,000,000, ... 750 cts.
" 5,000,000,000,000,000,000,000 to 10,000,000,000,000,000,000,000, ... 762 cts.
" 10,000,000,000,000,000,000,000 to 25,000,000,000,000,000,000,000, ... 774 cts.
" 25,000,000,000,000,000,000,000 to 50,000,000,000,000,000,000,000, ... 786 cts.
" 50,000,000,000,000,000,000,000 to 100,000,000,000,000,000,000,000, ... 798 cts.
" 100,000,000,000,000,000,000,000 to 250,000,000,000,000,000,000,000, ... 810 cts.
" 250,000,000,000,000,000,000,000 to 500,000,000,000,000,000,000,000, ... 822 cts.
" 500,000,000,000,000,000,000,000 to 1,000,000,000,000,000,000,000,000, ... 834 cts.
" 1,000,000,000,000,000,000,000,000 to 2,500,000,000,000,000,000,000,000, ... 846 cts.
" 2,500,000,000,000,000,000,000,000 to 5,000,000,000,000,000,000,000,000, ... 858 cts.
" 5,000,000,000,000,000,000,000,000 to 10,000,000,000